

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A system for facilitating sequenced communications to members of a defined group, the system comprising:

an application interface implemented in software and accessible to a ~~communicating~~ user connected to a telecommunication network,

wherein the interface ~~enables the communicating~~ is configured to enable the user to initiate a single communication session ~~in which the communicating user is~~ and, under user control, to sequentially step ped the user through separate plural mutually distinct communications in a sequential the single communication session to ~~each of a plurality of plural~~ respective members in the defined group, without the ~~communicating~~ user having to initiate separate communication sessions for each said member.

2. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the system comprises a database for storing telecommunication address information relating to at least one telecommunication mode for each group member.

3. (Original) The system of claim 2 wherein the database stores telecommunication address information relating to a plurality of telecommunication modes for each group member.

4. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 3 wherein the interface provides the ~~communicating~~ user with the ability to select the telecommunication mode for the sequence of ~~separate~~ communications.

5. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1 wherein the interface is displayed on a screen of a device of the ~~communicating~~ user.

6. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 5 wherein the interface includes an icon, displayed on the screen of the device, for allowing the ~~communicating~~ user to initiate the ~~sequential~~ single communication session.

7. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1 wherein the interface is audio-based and allows the ~~communicating~~ user to initiate the ~~sequential~~ single communication session using an audio command.

8. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1 wherein the interface provides the ~~communicating~~ user with an ability to enter an instruction to proceed to a next communication in the ~~sequential~~ single communication session.

9. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1 wherein the system automatically proceeds to a next communication in the ~~sequential~~ single communication session once a prior communication in the session has terminated.

10. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1 wherein the interface provides the ~~communicating~~ user with an ability to enter an instruction to skip a next communication in the ~~sequential~~ single communication session.

11. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1 wherein the ~~separate~~ communications are made in real-time.

12. (Original) The system of claim 11 wherein the telecommunication mode is a telephone call or an instant message.

13. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1 wherein the ~~separate~~ communications are not made in real time.

14. (Original) The system of claim 13 wherein the telecommunication mode is an e-mail message or voice-mail message.

15. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 13 wherein the system provides the ~~communicating~~ user with the ability to create common content for inclusion in each of the ~~separate~~ communications.

16. (Currently Amended) A system for providing sequenced communications, the system comprising:

a database for storing telecommunication address information relating to at least one telecommunication mode for each of a plurality of members in a defined group,

a server, accessible to a ~~communicating~~ user over a telecommunication network, the server comprising software for providing an interface to the ~~communicating~~ user,

wherein the interface ~~enables the communicating~~ is configured to enable the user to initiate a single ~~sequential~~ communication session ~~in which the communicating user is and, under user control, to sequentially step ped the user through separate plural mutually distinct communications in the single communication session to each of a plurality of plural respective~~ members in the defined group, without the ~~communicating~~ user having to initiate separate communication sessions for each said member.

17. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 16 wherein the interface is displayed on a screen of a device of the ~~communicating~~ user.

18. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 16 wherein the interface provides the ~~communicating~~ user with an ability to enter an instruction to proceed to a next communication in the ~~sequential~~ single communication session.

19. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 16 wherein the system automatically proceeds to a next communication in the ~~sequential~~ single communication session once a prior communication in the session has terminated.

20. (Currently Amended) Software for facilitating sequenced communications to members of a defined group, the software comprising:

an application interface module for providing a ~~communicating~~ user with an interface ~~, the interface enabling the communicating the~~ is configured to enable the user to initiate a single ~~sequential~~ communication session ~~in which the communicating user is and, under~~ user control, to sequentially step ~~ped the user~~ through ~~separate~~ plural mutually distinct communications in the single communication session to each of a plurality of plural respective members in the defined group, without the ~~communicating~~ user having to initiate separate communication sessions for each said member; and

a communication interface module for effecting communication between the ~~communicating~~ user and the members within the group using at least one telecommunication mode.

21. (Currently Amended) The software of claim 20 wherein the application interface module displays the interface on a screen of a device of the ~~communicating~~ user.

22. (Currently Amended) The software of claim 20 wherein the application interface module provides the ~~communicating~~ user with an ability to enter an instruction to proceed to a next communication in the ~~sequential~~ single communication session.

23. (Currently Amended) The software of claim 20 wherein the communication interface module automatically proceeds to a next communication in the ~~sequential~~ single communication session once a prior communication in the session has terminated.